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THE PROFESSION.

GEORGE CLAY respectfully announces to his Professional Friends that he has purchased of Dr. John Allen his entire right, title, and interest, for the city of New York, to his great practical improvement of mounting Artificial Teeth in one entire piece—thus forming a perfect Artificial Gum on Metallic Plates.

In thus announcing his interest in this improvement, he begs leave to offer an explanation for a step that the ordinary usages of the profession would not allow to be regarded in such a light as he would wish ever to characterise his intercourse with his brethren. The improvement is of such a nature as at once to arrest the attention of the practical Dentist. The fact that no cavity whatever, however small, can possibly exist between the Teeth and Plate on which they rest, nor yet between the individual Teeth, gives positive assurance of the avoidance of all disagreeable odor. This is effected by means of a silicious cement, fused by intense heat, and attaching each Tooth to its fellow, and its base directly to the Plate. The Gums are beautifully tinged, and meet the Teeth with a natural and artistic finish that deceives the most practiced eye. In short, the Subscriber is confident,

when the Teeth are examined, entire conviction must follow in every mind, that the old system of attaching Teeth will be shortly numbered among the relics of former times, and the entire Profession will avail themselves of this great practical improvement.

George Clay will be happy to exhibit specimens of the work to his Professional Friends, and all who are interested in the subject.

To the Unblic.

GEORGE CLAY begs leave to announce that he has purchased from the Patentee his entire right in this City, of setting Teeth upon the principle set forth in the following pages. It is unquestionably the greatest improvement yet made in modern Dentistry, and must entirely supersede the present method of attaching blocks or single Teeth to the Plate.

He is confident that by this public announcement, so far from incurring the ill-will of his Professional Friends, they will cheerfully concede that an important improvement, depending upon principles that none will attempt to deny, entitles the Inventor to his reward, for the arduous attainment of an object of so great interest to all.

In becoming the purchaser, the Subscriber has determined, by the low price at which individual Office Rights are placed, to remove all dissatisfaction that might originate from a high charge; confident that the great excellence of the invention will insure its universal adoption, and the return of a reasonable compensation for the time and money he has already devoted to its introduction into this city.

The following is a description of the invention:-

This improvement consists in uniting single mineral Teeth to each other, and to metallic Plates, by means of a fusible silicious compound or cement, which is fused between and around the base of the Teeth, and upon the Plates, in such a manner as to form a most perfect Artificial Gum, which is as hard and strong as the teeth, and cannot be acted on by saliva or acids.

A most perfect Artificial Gum, of any desirable color, can be thus produced, even to the most delicate tints of nature.

This Gum is without seam or crevice, and exhibits a perfectly natural and life-like appearance, imparting to the Teeth that peculiar expression which characterizes the natural organs.

Second. Great strength. The Teeth being thus united to each other at their base, and to the Plate upon which they are set, acquire a greater degree of solidity and firmness than when mounted in the usual way.

Third. The Cleanliness of the Teeth. There are no crevices under and around the base of the Teeth. All being perfectly united, there can consequently be no lodgment of food to vitiate the saliva or infect the breath; for not even the slightest moisture can get between the Teeth and Plate, when thus united to each other.

The Subscriber has thoroughly tested the practicability of this method of constructing full and partial sets of Teeth, which are now being worn in this city and elsewhere, and all the advantages above named have been realized.

He is prepared to sell Office Rights, or grant licenses to Dentists to use this Patent for one or more years; or himself to insert partial or full sets of Teeth. He also begs leave to inform his friends that he continues to perform, according to the most approved principles, and with the aid of all the facilities afforded by the progress of Dental science, every variety of operation in Surgical and Mechanical Dentistry; and he avails himself of the present opportunity to urge the important duty of attending to the condition of the Teeth, from a due regard to comfort, health, and personal appearance, and the reasonable demands of refined society.





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